

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
OFFICE ON AGING**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY**

**Fiscal Year 2012 Senior Wellness Center Operations Grant**

The Government of the District of Columbia, Office on Aging is soliciting applications from qualified applicants to operate a new District of Columbia Government-owned senior wellness center. Senior wellness centers programming promotes healthy lifestyles, nutrition, exercise, and general wellness among the District's elderly population aged 60 and above. Specifically, this Request for Application (RFA) will seek an organization to operate the Ward 6 Senior Wellness Center located at 500 K Street, NE, Washington, DC, 20002.

A total of \$170,555.00 in Federal and District appropriated funds is available for applicants to operate the Ward 6 Senior Wellness Center.

The successful organization will be responsible for providing services and activities that will enhance physical, social and emotional well-being. Programs and activities are designed to promote positive health habits such as physical exercise, nutrition counseling, health education and smoking cessation among the target population.

Services for this population include:

- Wellness/Health Promotion;
- Disease Prevention;
- Medication Management; and
- other services and information which promote healthy lifestyles for seniors.

The successful operator of the senior wellness center has the following responsibilities:

1. Develop and implement a needs assessment to identify the needs in the target community;
2. Work in cooperation with the Office on Aging Ward 6 Lead Agency Program and the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC);
3. Develop and implement a structured community outreach program; and
4. Establish a Members Advisory Council to serve as advisor to help develop a coordinated service delivery system and community outreach.

Applicants who apply to this RFA must design services to meet the complex and ever-changing needs of the city's diverse elderly population, especially older individuals with the greatest economic and/or social needs, with particular emphasis on the low-income minority elderly.

Non-profit organizations with places of business within the physical boundaries of the District of Columbia are eligible to apply. For-profit organizations with places of business within the physical boundaries of the District of Columbia are also eligible to apply, but must not include profit in their grant application.

The RFA will be released on Tuesday, January 17, 2012. The application submission deadline is Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. Applications can be obtained from the D.C. Office on Aging located at 500 K Street, NE, Washington, DC, 20002. The RFA will also be available on the Office on Aging's website, [www.dcoa.dc.gov](http://www.dcoa.dc.gov) and on the Office of Partnerships and Grants Development's website, [www.opgd.dc.gov](http://www.opgd.dc.gov) no later than January 17, 2012.

A Pre-Application Conference Webinar will be held on Thursday, January 26, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. For an invite to attend the webinar, email the DCOA at [executive.dcoa@dc.gov](mailto:executive.dcoa@dc.gov).